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TAGS: PFOR, VS, SL

SUBJECT: PRG/REP VISIT TO SIERRA LEONE

REF: A. FREETOWN 0031 B. FREETOWN 2458

1. GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES RELEASE
FEBRUARY 1 (CARRIED PRESS SAME DAY) REPORTS VISIT
TO SIERRA LEONE JANUARY 31 OF PRG "SPECIAL ENVOY"
NGUYEN VAN TIEN, IDENTIFIED AS MEMBER OF CENTRAL
COMMITTEE OF NLF. ACCORDING RELEASE, TIEN DELIVERED
NOT TO PRESIDENT STEVENS FROM NGUYEN HUU THO,
PRESIDENT OF PRESIDUM OF CENTRAL COMMITTEE AND
PRESIDENT OF ADVISORY COUNCIL OF PRG, SOLICITING
SUPPORT OF GOSL AND FORMAL RECOGNITION OF PRG.
INFORMATION SERVICE RELEASE REPORTS STEVENS ASSURED
TIEN THAT GOSL "WOULD CONTINUE LEND SUPPORT" TO PRG
CAUSE AND THAT QUESTION OF FORMAL RECOGNITION "WOULD
BE CONSIDERED" BY GOSL AND "DECISION TAKEN AT AN
EARLY DATE."

2. MINISTRY EXTERNAL AFFAIRS OFFICER HAS CONFIRMED
REPORT TO EMBASSY, INCLUDING FACT THAT TIEN RECEIVED
BY STEVENS AND ACCURACY OF REPORTED STEVENS STATEMENT.

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EXTAFF OFFICER ADDED THAT NO FURTHER ACTION YET TAKEN

BY GOSL.

3. COMMENT: CONTRAST BETWEEN GOSL RECEPTION OF
TIEN AND THAT EARLIER ACCORDED GVN FONMIN BAC (REF A.),
WHO WAS NOT ABLE SEE STEVENS PERSONALLY, UNDERLINES
GOSL EFFECTIVE COMMITMENT TO PRG (REF B). IT APPEARS
VIRTUALLY CERTAIN THAT GOSL WILL ACCORD FORMAL
RECOGNITION TO PRG IN REASONABLY NEAR FUTURE.
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